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COMMENTS

Re: U.S. Ser. No. 08/448,946 filed May 24, 1995 (Attorney Docket 175C2)

Dear Examiner Prieb:

Enclosed for consideration and entry by the Examiner are a Petition to Suspend Action by the Office under 37 CFR §1.103 (2 pages) and the first page of the Amendment mailed July 17, 1996 (1 page) in connection with the above application. We understand that a Petition to Suspend is handled by the group art unit.

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Patent Docket P0175C2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Arjun Singh Serial No.: 08/448,946 Filed: 24 MAY 1995 For: USE OF ALPHA FACTOR SEQUENCES IN YEAST EXPRESSION SYSTEMS	Group Art Unit: 1805 Examiner: S. Priebe
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PETITION TO SUSPEND ACTION BY THE OFFICE UNDER37 CFR §1.103

BOX DAC
Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. Petition is hereby made to suspend action by the Office in the above-identified application. A response to the outstanding Office Action dated January 18, 1996 was filed on July 17, 1996 as indicated by the Certificate of Mailing of the enclosed first page of the Amendment. Hence, there are no outstanding responses due in this application.

2. The reason for filing this Petition is that there are overlapping claims between this application and that of the parent application, U.S. Ser. No. 07/552,719, which is involved in an interference (No. 102,728). Final briefs were recently filed with the Board of Appeals and Interferences regarding this interference. Since the interference is not resolved and involves claims overlapping with claims in the instant application, petitioners believe that MPEP §709.01 applies. In accordance with MPEP §709.01, where there are overlapping claims the Examiner is requested to suspend prosecution of the application pending the final determination of priority in the

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interference. This constitutes good and sufficient cause because, for example, there is an obviousness-type double patenting rejection in the above-identified application, and while the parent application is involved in an interference, petitioners are unable to prosecute the claims therein. Therefore, petitioners ask for suspension until final resolution of priority of the interference, which petitioners believe is a reasonable time period.

3. The petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) of \$130.00 is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-0630. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0630. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
GENENTECH, INC.

Date: July 22, 1996

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111(B)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 18, 1996 in connection with the above-identified application. A Petition and Fee for extension of time of three months is enclosed, bringing the time for response to July 18, 1996.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 26, after "1982," insert --now U.S. Pat. No. 4,775,622,--; in line 27, after "1983," insert - now abandoned, which was filed as a continuation having Serial No. 07/541,186 filed June 20, 1990, now issued as U.S. Pat. No. 5,010,003,--.

On page 8, after line 32, please insert:

- 1 --Fig. 13 depicts a Southern hybridization of (a) human, (b)
—bovine and (c) porcine genomic DNAs digested with EcoRI and
hybridized at different formamide concentrations with a 32P-
labelled 570 base-pair EcoRI fragment containing the coding region
5 of the human leukocyte interferon A/D hybrid. The hybridization at